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GREAT PROBLEM BEFORE AMERICA

Life Insurance Companies Large Factor in Farm Loan Business.

ECONOMIC PINCH

Terrors of an Unparalleled forces Task Upon U. S. Farmer to Feed World.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Declaring that the life insurance companies have become the largest distinguishable factor in the farm loan business, Robert Quick of the Federal Farm Loan board, before the Eleventh annual convention of the association of life insurance presidents here today, urged the national need for the apportionment of still more of their funds for the financing of agricultural production. At present, he said, about \$700,000,000 of policy holders' reserves are employed in this activity.

"No greater problem ever confronted the American people than the necessity of increasing production and the maintenance of permanent soil fertility," said Mr. Quick. "For the economic pinch is now upon us. It has come upon us almost with the suddenness of a thunderbolt."

"Just at the time when the population of the United States has reached the danger point, our agricultural production is being thrown upon us by the terrors of an unparalleled war the task of not only supplying ourselves but for caring as best we may for the wants of an equal number of people who are fighting our battles on the sanguinary fields of Europe and Asia. Just when production in the other agricultural countries of the world has been reduced to its lowest ebb, just when the transportation system of the world has been requisitioned for the transport and supply of armies and is not daily in jeopardy by the barbarous methods of a powerful and unscrupulous enemy, the farms of the United States are called upon to increase their production with a decreased labor supply."

Farms Are Short-handed

"Hundreds of thousands, nay millions of men, are withdrawn from peaceful pursuits and enlisted not only in the army itself, but in that marvelous complex of industrial and transportation activities which constitute the engine of war. The farms, short-handed, are called upon for double duty. After the war millions of men will be returned to the pursuits of peace at a time of radical industrial and financial readjustments. The world will then have to be reconstructed and the healing of the wounds of civilization must be very largely brought about through an enlightened and radically new and progressive land and agricultural policy."

"The world calls upon us for a new and better agriculture now. After the war the situation will demand the most enlightened, far-sighted and broad-minded statesmanship."

"The requirements of agriculture after the war will be only partially financial problems. They will be predominantly land problems. The bringing of unused land into use; the re-construction of partially used lands into full and complete units of production; the re-creation of a new kind of rural school; the conversion of the business of farming into one in which a man of intellect and enterprise may be proud to labor with his own hands; the solution of our marketing questions; the building up of a vast system of co-operative enterprises among farmers by means of which they shall be able to solve their problems."

"There are financial problems of the greatest magnitude which ought to be carefully studied to the end that vigorous and far-reaching measures may be adopted in order to meet the needs of American agriculture after the war. The fact may be noted here that the life insurance companies of the United States, commanding as they do the largest volume of loanable funds in existence have loaned on real estate about one-third of their funds. I am advised that 40 per cent of these real estate loans are on farm property. In amount, these farm mortgage loans of the life insurance companies total about \$700,000,000. The insurance companies have thus recently become the largest distinguishable factor in the farm loan business. In entering this field, the insurance companies have been true of the interests of their policy holders. I am of the opinion that more and more money of the life insurance companies ought to be loaned to the farmers in the interests of the companies themselves, of their policy holders and of the nation."

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WILSON MESSAGE CLEARS THE AIR

London Daily Mail Compares President's Speech With the Lansdowne Letter.

EXECUTIVE POWER

Ideals and Purposes of American Nation Set Forth in Proper Light.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The Daily Mail says:

"For all the allies President Wilson's address makes very satisfactory reading. His ringing sentences, not less than the measures proposed to give effect to them will do something in Europe as well as in America to clear the air of the fumes of pacifism. They set things, as Lansdowne's letter did not, in their proper light and proper order."

Referring to President Wilson's personal position, the Mail says: "No autocrat in history ever enjoyed the power and authority freely yielded to President Wilson by the American people. His voice is their voice, his thoughts their thoughts to a degree that no comparison with any European country quite parallel. Whatever he speaks it is as though America with its hundred million people blew a blast on a single trumpet. To read his latest address to congress is to know immediately what are the ideals and purposes of the entire nation."

NUXATED IRON

You Can Tell the Women with Plethora of Iron in their Blood. Beautiful Healthy Rosy Cheeks. Fall of Life and Vitality.

Dr. Ferdinand King, New York Physician and Medical Author, writes physicians that they should prescribe more iron. Iron—Nuxated Iron—for their patients—says anemia—iron deficiency—is the greatest cause of the health strength vitality and beauty of the modern American Woman. Soundly warning against use of medicine iron which may injure the teeth, corrode the stomach and do far more harm than good; writes use of only Nuxated Iron, taken three times per day after meals. It will increase the strength and endurance of weak, nervous, and listless women. It is the best iron in many languages. Dispensed by all good druggists.

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WORKMEN MAKE GRAVE MISTAKE

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 6.—Nine workmen were injured in an explosion of gas in the double hold of a vessel under construction at the Los Angeles shipbuilding and dry dock company's plant here today. The explosion was caused by the attachment of a gas supply hose to the air pipe of a riveting machine. Gas, sent in instead of air, was ignited by a hot rivet.

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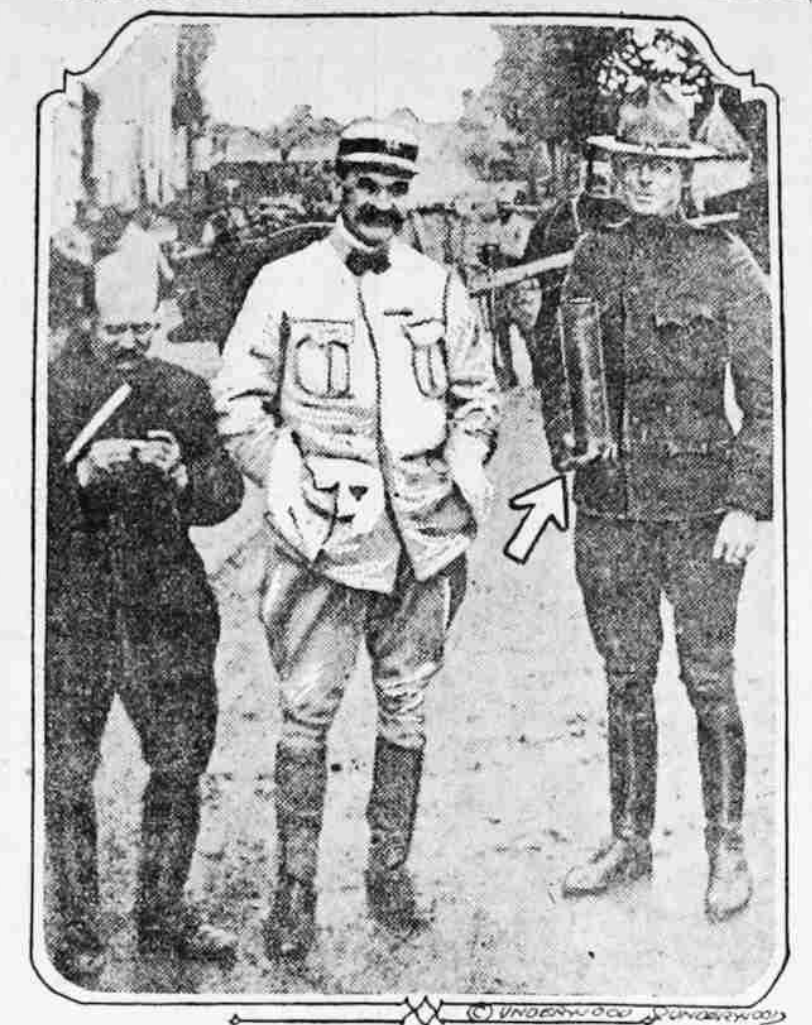
PATRICK'S PIE IDEA.

Patrick had called on his Betsy and she gave him a handsome helping of her special make of apple pie. Patrick was loud in its praise.

"I tried a new way," said Betsy, beaming, "I put a few gooseberries in."

"Begorra," cried Patrick, "if a few gooseberries give so good a flavor to an apple pie, what a dandy of an apple pie it would make of 'gooseberries entirely!'"—Exchange.

CASE OF FIRST SHELL FIRED BY U. S. TROOPS ON WAY TO PRESIDENT WILSON



This is the first photograph to arrive in the United States of the case of the first shell that was fired by American troops against the Germans in France. The case itself is now on its way to President Wilson, who will probably give it to a national museum for its historic value.

RUSSIAN LAWS BEING CHANGED

Church Marriages Are Abolished and Only Civil Ceremonies Are Permitted.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The draft of a list has been published in Petrograd respecting births, deaths and marriages according to a dispatch to the Russian capital to the Daily Mail. The law abolishes church marriages, recognizing only civil ceremonies. Illegitimate children are given the same rights as legitimate; divorce is made easy and burial in consecrated ground without a religious ceremony is allowed.



Coughs Worse at Night

The simplest and quickest way to get rid of a wearing, racking night cough, tickling throat, hoarse, wheezy breathing is to take

Foley's Honey and Tar.

In it, you get the curative influence of the pine tar and other healing ingredients, together with the mollifying and laxative action of honey.

Editor C. T. Miller, Cannelton, Ind. (Enclosure) writes: "I was troubled with bronchial affection and coughed constantly day and night. I took Foley's Honey and Tar and got relief. It is great for bronchial coughs and colds. I had dry and bronchial cough, croup, hoarseness, tickling throat, are all quickly relieved."

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RUMANIAN QUEEN SENDS HER THANKS

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6.—Queen Marie of Rumania has sent to Mrs. Ira Nelson Morris, wife of the American minister here, an autographed portrait "with grateful thanks" for the services the American women had done the Rumanians.

In a personally written letter accompanying the portrait Queen Marie expresses gratitude for the interest Mrs. Morris had displayed and for the work done by the American Red Cross.

"We need aid more than ever," said the queen's letter, "as a great disaster stares us in the face at the beginning of winter." The queen explained that boxes of foodstuffs sent last March had not arrived until October. Money and food of all kinds was needed, especially condensed milk and other canned goods, as well as children's clothing, bed quilts, yarn and any materials of which clothing could be made.

CONVENTION OF THE WOOLGROWERS

SALT LAKE, Dec. 7.—One of the noted speakers scheduled to take part in the sessions of the National Woolgrowers' convention to be held in Salt Lake on January 17 to 19, inclusive, is Joseph P. Cotton of Chicago, who was named by Herbert C. Hoover to take charge of the meat division of food conservation and regulation work for the government.

Mr. Cotton occupies a position that makes him a most important man to the sheep and livestock industry of the entire country. He will not only attend the woolgrowers' convention, but will also take part in the convention of livestock raisers which will be held here for three days just prior to the opening of the sheepmen's convention.

A number of prominent men are scheduled to attend the woolgrowers' convention, including L. S. Swift of Chicago, the packing magnate; H. S. Coffin of North Yakima, Wash., a prominent sheepman of the northwest; Dr. Issa Tanimura of Tokyo, Japan, who is in the United States as a representative of the Japanese government, gathering information relative to the sheep-raising industry of this country, and W. C. Barnes of the Uni-

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CORPORATION TAX DUE DECEMBER 15

The secretary of state says that approximately \$100,000 in state corporation taxes remains yet to be collected. The secretary calls particular attention to this fact just now because these taxes become delinquent on December 15, and a penalty of \$10 attaches to each corporation failing to pay by that date.

In addition to the penalty attaching to the delinquent corporation, another disagreeable condition is added in that each delinquent corporation is not in good standing and remains so until the arrears are met. An example of this drawback was given when recently a corporation had opportunity to sell its plant and equipment, but attorneys for the intending purchaser discovered that the corporation tax had not been paid, and the concern had lost its standing so far as the state government is concerned. This condition held up the sale until finally the corporation in arrears to the state settled its tax for 1916 and the attaching penalty.

"Oh, dear!" exclaimed little Willard one sultry afternoon, "I wish I was rich!"

"What would you do?" asked his mother.

"I'd have the ice man bring me a skating rink every morning," he replied.

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may prevent a long serious illness—Take it with the first sign of fever, when your eyes water and when you begin to sneeze. There's a double advantage in this famous 50-cent bottle. It breaks up a cold and leaves no obstructions after effects. Just as easy on the stomach as it is pleasing to the palate. Use it for the severest case of croup as well as for baby's croup.

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GEN. DUKHONIN SENT A WARNING

PETROGRAD, Dec. 7.—The last message sent to the troops by General Dukhonin, the commander-in-chief of

RAILROAD WAR BOARD POLICY

Newlands Informed, Government Operation of Lines Is Not Necessary.

MUST REMOVE BAN

Legal Prohibition of Unification Should Be Lifted by Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Railroad presidents composing the railroads' war board today informed Chairman Newlands, head of the congressional committee dealing with transportation problems, that if congress removed the legal prohibitions which forbid unification of the roads for the war emergency, government operation would not be necessary.

Chairman Newlands asked the railway executives for an estimate of the money needed by the railroads to equip them for the emergency and they promised to prepare it in time for presentation to President Wilson Monday. The president himself began consideration of the question in conference today with Chairman Hall of the interstate commerce commission.

The railroad men, it is understood, estimated that \$1,000,000,000 will be needed to equip and enlarge their facilities for handling war traffic in 1918. How it should be raised, however, was not discussed, Senator Newlands said, and there is a question whether it would be obtained by a loan from the government or by government guarantee.

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RECEIVES RULING ON WAR REVENUE TAX

Colonel W. H. Chapman, internal revenue agent for the Salt Lake division, yesterday received official notification of the decision of Daniel C. Roper, commissioner of internal revenue, approved by W. G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, concerning the method of imposing the war revenue tax on express shipments.

Under the decision of Mr. Roper, a shipment by express may consist of any number of packages, for delivery at as many different points on the lines operated by the express company, and the tax, at the rate of 1 cent for every 20 cents charged for transportation, need not be paid on each package constituting the shipment, but on the amount of expressage charged on the entire shipment and stated in the express receipt.

Ogden Grocer Thankful

"I had been sick nearly 20 years with stomach trouble and was slowly starving to death as everything I ate caused terrible gas and pain and my food did not digest. I was reduced to 115 pounds. A friend advised me to take Mayr's Wonderful Remedy about 4 months ago, which I did and now weigh 151 lbs., and can eat anything. I am very thankful for Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. It is a simple harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract, and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. A. R. McIntyre Drug Co.—Advertisement.

NO REPLY TO THE POPE NECESSARY

LONDON, Dec. 7.—In the house of commons yesterday Lord Robert Cecil, minister of blockade denied that England and France had entered into any treaty or understanding to support Italy against the Holy See if the Holy See attempted to take steps towards peace. Asked why no reasoned reply to the pope's note was made by England, France or Italy, he said: "The British, French and Italian governments considered no reply necessary beyond that returned by President Wilson."

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RAIDERS FLEW LOW OVER ENGLISH TOWN

A SOUTHEAST ENGLISH COAST TOWN, Dec. 7.—The German air raiders which crossed the coast at 3:15 o'clock yesterday morning were flying so low that British machine guns were used against them and helped to beat off the attack. From then until 6:15 o'clock raiders were crossing and re-crossing the coast line, but all their explosive bombs fell in fields and their incendiary bombs into the sea.

All the people had taken shelter and there were no casualties. The weather was ideal for raiders. The moon was extremely bright in a clear sky and no breeze was blowing.

DROWNING WORDS

Jack Huff reported how an intrepid young woman who clerks in a candy and cigar store on Springfield avenue stopped an argument between two fiery conversationalists in front of the store Wednesday.

"She did it with a fire extinguisher," reports Huff.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH IS WELL RECEIVED

ROME, Wednesday, Dec. 5.—The American ambassador, Thomas Nelson Page, received many congratulations on President Wilson's message to congress, particularly that part of it proposing war with Austria. Members of the government and parliament, high personages of the court and leading members of the political associations all joined in paying tribute and expressing appreciation for the action of the United States and friendship for that country.

The Tribuna, commenting on the message, says: "President Wilson has answered the speech from the throne, delivered by the emperor of Austria."

"The firm and honest words of President Wilson form a striking antithesis to the false speech pronounced by Emperor Charles, who unctiously speaks of peace while he was ferociously overbearing when the Austrian policy toward Serbia provoked the war."

KERENSKY POINTS OUT GREAT BLUNDER

PETROGRAD, Dec. 7.—The social revolutionary newspaper Dielona (the People's Work), published a letter from Kerensky, the former premier, in which the following passages occur: "Do you not see that your frankness is being made use of and that you are being deceived? You were promised peace with the Germans within three days. Where is it? Where is the liberty? Where is the peace? It is dishonorable, infamous. Fools! It is Kerensky, who tells you this. For eight months I safeguarded the liberty of the people and the future happiness of the masses of workers. Now they realize that when I was in power liberty and democracy really existed."

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